



Docket No.: 826.1768

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Yoichi OIKAWA

Serial No. 09/986,027

Group Art Unit: 2874

Confirmation No. 4751

Filed: November 7, 2001

Examiner: Denise S. Allen

For: OPTICAL SWITCH FOR COMPENSATING FOR DEGRADATION OF OPTICAL-  
COUPLING CHARACTERISTIC

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Box AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Amendment in the Notice of Allowance mailed April 23, 2004. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.



S&amp;H Form: (10/03)

**REPLY/AMENDMENT  
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

Attorney Docket No.	826.1768
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First Named Inventor	Yoichi OIKAWA
Group Art Unit	2874

AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	Denise S. Allen
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**FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)**

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	9	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	7	- 7 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of January 21, 2004, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations = \$ 0.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

**TOTAL FEES DUE = \$ 0.00**

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- ☐ Check enclosed as payment.
- ☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- ☒ No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

**GENERAL AUTHORIZATION**

- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:
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| Deposit Account No.  | 19-3935            |
| Deposit Account Name | STAAS & HALSEY LLP |
- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Typed Name	Richard A. Gollhofer	Reg. No.	31,106
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Signature	<i>Richard A. Gollhofer</i>	Date	6/22/04
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